

MSSNY Council Report
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New York County Medical Society

- É The Society is delving into issues including gun violence, physician wellness, and maintenance of certification, with plans to prepare resolutions on a number of these for the 2019 MSSNY HOD.
- É The Society will be holding its legislative breakfast in conjunction with the New York City Psychiatric Society and New York Council on Child and Adolescent Psychiatry on Sunday, January 27. All are invited.
- É The Society will be sponsoring a bus from Manhattan for Physician Advocacy Day in Albany on March 6.
- É Members continue to discuss aspects of the New York Health Act with Assemblymember Richard Gottfried in interactions with him and his staff.
- É The Society has been providing members with information on mandatory sexual harassment training in New York State.
- É The Society participated in the NY State Marijuana Legalization Listening Sessions, and its Public Health Committee will host an event “The Proposed Legalization of Recreational Marijuana: What Effect Will Legalization Have on the Marijuana and Opioid Crisis, and How Should Physicians Deal with It?” with speaker Silvia S. Martins, MD, PHD, Associate Professor of Epidemiology and Director, Substance Abuse Epidemiology Unit Columbia University ó Mailman School of Public Health.
- É The Society is planning programs on Medicare changes for 2019, and networking social events for young doctors.

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Bronx County Medical Society

- É The Bronx County Medical Society had our Inaugural Meeting at Maestro's Catering where we had 30 people in attendance and was sponsored by Vitec Partners, who are one of the leading companies in pre-authorizations, claims and billing. The Board identified themselves to the new and present membership as well as confirmed Doctor Stern as our new Secretary.
- É The Bronx County Medical Society had our 104 Years of Service Annual Gala at Villa Barone Manor honoring our Immediate Past President Doctor Michael A. Pisacano. The Gala was filled with over 250 people in attendance. Some of the attendees were Doctor Arthur Fougner, MSSNY President-Elect, Doctor Allen Small, President, Medical Society of the County of Queens, Doctor Arthur Cooper, Vice President, New York County Medical Society, and Philip Schuh, EVP, MSSNY to name a few. We honored Doctor Michael A. Pisa Cano.